## THOMAS SIM LEE, Esquire, Governor.

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perty as aforesaid, and the sum which shall be so taken off shall be charged to CHAP. the person who may have purchased or otherwise acquired the possession of the property, and if the purchaser, or person having acquired the possession of any property as aforesaid, shall live in a different county, the said commissioners shall make out a certificate of such change of property, and direct it to the commissioners of the tax for the county where such person shall reside, and the same shall deliver to the sheriff of the county, endorsed as aforesaid, to be forwarded in the manner and under the penalty herein before mentioned, and the rate shall be charged to fuch person acquiring possession as aforesaid, and be paid by him; provided, that no person shall have any allowance or deduction on account of property aliened or transferred as aforesaid, unless such alienation, transfer, or mutation of possession, shall take place on or before the first day of April in any year, and unless notice thereof shall be given to the commissioners of the county in which such property shall have been last charged; and provided also, that no person shall be entitled to any such deduction on account of any such change of property which shall take place in the year seventeen hundred and ninety-three, unless by judgment or decree executed before the first day of April next.

XXXI. And be it enacted, That the commissioners of the tax shall have full Commission= power to call the several assessor before them at the time limited for appeals, or ers to call assessor such other times as their in their discretion shall about 11 to at such other times as they, in their discretion, shall think reasonable, for the them, &c. purpose of correcting their valuation of property; and the said commissioners shall have full authority, and they are hereby directed, carefully to examine the several certificates of valuation in their respective counties, and to correct the same, although no complaint or appeal be made to them, so as to make the same as nearly equal as possible.

XXXII. And be it enacted, That the property of each assessor shall be valued Assessors proby the commissioners of his county, or of Baltimore-town, as the case may be, perty to be vaor any one of them, on or before the twentieth day of May next, in the same manner as the real and personal property of other persons by this act is directed to be estimated by the assessors.

XXXIII. And be it enacted, That the commissioners of the several counties Clerk to keep shall direct their clerk to enter in a book to be provided for that purpose, an ac- &c. curate and fair account of all the real and personal property within their county, and the valuation thereof as returned by the assessor, or as corrected by them, with an alphabetical list of the owners or persons chargeable with the assessment of such property.

XXXIV. And be it enacted, That the clerk to the commissioners in each And make out county, shall, on or before the first Monday of July next, make out from the assessions certificates, and the corrections thereof (if any) by the commissioners, a summary account or list, (in columns) in which shall be expressed the number of slaves of each description within this act, the weight of plate, and the value of each of the said species or kind of property, and all the other personal property, and the value thereof, in each district, and the whole value in each district extended, and the amount of each column, and shall lay the same before the commissioners, who, after correction thereof, if necessary, shall sign and enclose the same, endorsed for the public service, to the clerk of the house of delegates, and shall, within five days thereafter, under penalty of fifty pounds current money on each commissioner, deliver the same to the sheriff of their county, to be by him forwarded as public letters, and under the like penalty, and shall also deliver to the clerk of his county court a duplicate thereof, to be lodged among the records of the said county, in eight days thereafter; and the clerk of the house of delegates shall enter the said summary account in a book to be provided for the purpose, and keep the original in his office, and, on the second day of the next meeting of the general assembly, he shall lay the same before the house of delegates, for the inspection of the members.

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